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**SECRETARY OF STATE**

## **SENATE CONCURRENT MEMORIAL 1003**

A CONCURRENT MEMORIAL

URGING THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO ADEQUATELY FUND THE UNITED STATES FOREST SERVICE.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 To the Congress of the United States of America:

2 Your memorialist respectfully represents:

3 Whereas, the United States Congress established the United States  
4 Forest Service in 1905 to provide quality water and timber for the nation's  
5 benefit; and

6 Whereas, over the years, the United States Congress has directed the  
7 United States Forest Service to manage more national forests and grasslands;  
8 and

9 Whereas, the President's fiscal year 2012 budget increased funding for  
10 land acquisition by \$26,360,000; and

11 Whereas, the President's fiscal year 2012 budget reduced funding for  
12 the Wildland Fire Management by \$396,675,000; and

13 Whereas, the President's fiscal year 2012 budget reduced budgeting for  
14 the FLAME Wildfire Suppression Reserve Fund by \$97,114,000; and

15 Whereas, in 2011, the total number of acres consumed by wildland fires  
16 on Arizona lands that are managed by the United States Forest Service was  
17 878,540 out of the total of 981,189 acres that were burned in Arizona that  
18 year; and

19 Whereas, the United States Forest Service has existed for more than 100  
20 years with the express purpose of managing public forests and grasslands; and

21 Whereas, the mission of the United States Forest Service is to sustain  
22 the health, diversity and productivity of the nation's forests and grassland.  
23 Wherefore your memorialist, the Senate of the State of Arizona, the House of

24 Representatives concurring, prays:

25 1. That the United States Congress adequately fund the United States  
26 Forest Service in order to properly manage forests and grasslands.

27 2. That the United States Congress prohibit the United States Forest  
28 Service from acquiring and managing additional lands until the Forest Service  
29 demonstrates its ability to properly manage and protect forests.

30 3. That the Secretary of State of the State of Arizona transmit copies  
31 of this Memorial to the President of the United States, the Chief of the  
32 United States Forest Service, the President of the United States Senate, the  
33 Speaker of the United States House of Representatives and each Member of  
34 Congress from the State of Arizona.

PASSED BY THE HOUSE MARCH 8, 2012.

PASSED BY THE SENATE FEBRUARY 9, 2012.

FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE MARCH 8, 2012.

Passed the House March 8, 2012,

by the following vote: 38 Ayes,

18 Nays, 4 Not Voting

  
Speaker of the House

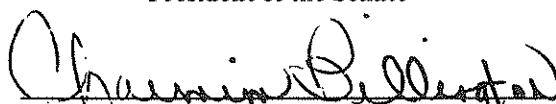
  
Chief Clerk of the House

Passed the Senate February 9, 2012,

by the following vote: 20 Ayes,

9 Nays, 1 Not Voting


  
President of the Senate

  
Secretary of the Senate

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OF ARIZONA  
OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE

This Bill was received by the Secretary of State  
this 8<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2012,

at 5 o'clock P M.

  
Secretary of State

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